

BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

COUNCIL AGENDA

JUNE 20, 2019- 7:30 P.M.

MAYOR'S STATEMENT: Under the provisions of N.J.S.A.10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting was given by way of Annual Notice to the to the Courier News, Echoes Sentinel, and Star Ledger, and posted at Borough Hall.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG and a MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, SERVING HOME AND ABROAD.

ROLL CALL:

Gibbs [] Black [] Nehls [] Sopko [] Goodloe [] Eisenberg Knegten []

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

Proclamation – CERT (Citizen’s Emergency Response Team) Week

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. Administration & Finance
2. Police
3. Public Works / Buildings and Grounds
4. Public Affairs:
 - Environmental
 - Recreation
 - Historical
 - Board of Health
5. Fire
6. Laws/Ordinances

REPORTS - OTHER:

7. Engineer
8. Police Chief
9. Fire Department
10. Rescue Squad
11. Emergency Management
12. Attorney
13. Clerk
14. Administrator

During the conduct of the meeting, unless a Public Hearing is held or the Regular Order of Business is waived, the audience does not participate. A Public Portion is held prior to action taken on Agenda items for agenda item discussion only, and another Public Portion is held at the end of the meeting for general discussion. Individuals commenting from the audience will be limited to three minutes per person, and will not be permitted to speak again until everyone has had an opportunity to speak. If a group is represented by an attorney, the attorney will be given five minutes to make the presentation for the group.

PUBLIC PORTION / AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Public Hearing of Ordinance OR:19/09 entitled: “AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CREATING THE SOMERSET STREET/WATCHUNG AVENUE AFFORDABLE HOUSING OVERLAY DISTRICT, BY AMENDING SECTION 28-301, TITLED “ZONING DISTRICTS”, SECTION 28-302, TITLED “ZONING MAP”, AND ADDING A NEW SECTION, SECTION 28-419, TITLED “SOMERSET STREET/WATCHUNG AVENUE AFFORDABLE HOUSING OVERLAY DISTRICT” TO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH”

R1:06/20/19 Adoption of OR:19/09 - Somerset Street/Watchung Avenue Affordable Housing Overlay District

Public Hearing of Ordinance OR:19/10 entitled: “AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REPEALING A PORTION OF SECTION 28-301, TITLED “ZONING DISTRICTS”, SECTION 28-302, TITLED “ZONING MAP”, AS EACH APPLIES TO THE “‘O-C’ OFFICE BUSINESS/ CONFERENCE CENTER OVERLAY DISTRICT” AND REPEALING SECTION 28-410, TITLED “‘O-C’ BUSINESS/ CONFERENCE CENTER OVERLAY DISTRICT” OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH”

R2: Adoption of OR:19/10 - Ordinance Repealing the " 'O-C' Office Business/Conference Center Overlay District

Public Hearing of OR:19/11 entitled: “AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REPEALING ARTICLE 28-1000, TITLED “AFFORDABLE HOUSING”, OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH, AND REPLACING WITH A NEW ARTICLE 28-1000, TITLED “AFFORDABLE HOUSING”, AND REPEALING SECTION 28-402Z, TITLED “AFFORDABLE HOUSING GROWTH SHARE”

R3: Adoption of OR:19/11 – Repealing and Replacing "Affordable Housing" Ordinance, including "Affordable Housing Growth Share”

Public Hearing of Ordinance OR:19/12 entitled: “AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING ARTICLE 28-300, TITLED “ZONING DISTRICTS AND ZONING MAP”, SECTION 28-302, TITLED “ZONING MAP”, OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH TO ADOPT A NEW ZONING MAP”

R4: Adoption of OR:19/12 - Ordinance Adopting New Zoning Map

Public Hearing of Ordinance OR:19/13 entitled: “AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING ARTICLE 28-1100, TITLED “AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FEES”, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 28-1102, TITLED “DEFINITIONS”, AND SECTION 28-1108, TITLED “MONITORING”, OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH”

R5: Adoption of OR:19/13- Affordable Housing Development Fees

Public Hearing of Ordinance OR:19/14 entitled: “AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR LANDSCAPING IMPROVEMENTS, SIGNS, AND OTHER PROPERTY BEAUTIFICATION IMPROVEMENTS IN THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY AND APPROPRIATING \$50,000.00 THEREFOR FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND.”

R6: Adoption of OR:19/14 – Capital Improvements/ Beautification

NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA: Matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been referred to members of the Borough Council for reading and study, are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion of the Council. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda by Council action.

Approval of the following Council minutes:

June 6, 2019 – Regular & Executive Session

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Borough Reports:

Fire Prevention Report – May, 2019
Board of Health Minutes – March 20, 2019
Board of Adjustment – May 9, 2019
Recreation Commission Minutes – May 1, 2019
Wildlife Management Advisory Committee Minutes – June 5, 2019

Acknowledging Receipt of the following Correspondence:

- #21 - Watchung Planning Board 4/23/19 Report in regard to review of Ordinances
OR:19/09, 19/10, 19/11, 19/12 and OR:19/13, finding all to be consistent with the Master Plan
c: M & C
- #22- Watchung Board of Health 6/13/19 Requesting a Resolution supporting Legislation
Clarifying Exemptions from Mandatory Immunizations for Students c: M & C, TEA

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS: The resolutions listed below were submitted to the Governing Body for review and will be adopted by one motion.

- R7: 06/06/19 Purchases Over \$2,000 –Partac Peat Corporation (B & G – Infield Mix)
East Coast Emergency (PD -Vehicle Lighting / Tahoe)
Fred Dealaman (Rec- Bus Service for Summer Camp Trips)
Hannon Floors – (Carpet – Borough Hall / 2nd Floor)
- R8: Authorize Clerk to Issue Raffle License – Sisters of Mercy of the Americas
- R9: Authorize Renewal of Liquor Licenses 2019/2020
- R10: Authorize Appointment of Tax Clerk – Danielle Gaebele
- R11: Authorize Appointment of Construction Official & Building Sub-Code Official /
Robert LaCosta
- R12: Appointment of Summer Camp Counselors

NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: Items listed below will be individually addressed and acted upon accordingly. Council reserves the right to refer an item to Committee for further review and discussion.

Introduction of Ordinance OR:19/15 entitled: “BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT AND NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG, IN THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,653,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE A STATE GRANT, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.” Public Hearing to be held on July 18, 2019.

- R13: Introduction of OR:19/15 – Bond Ordinance to Authorize Various Public Improvements
- R14: Waive Chapter 2-25.10 of the Code – Grays Florist
- R15: Appointment of Interim Municipal Judge / Brian Levine
- R16: Payment of Bills

PUBLIC PORTION - GENERAL DISCUSSION

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Mayor and Council is scheduled to be held on July 18, 2019 at 7:30 P.M.